

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

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May 17, 2021

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COC LETTER REGARDING LASD BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Dear Board of Supervisors:

The Sheriff Civilian Oversight Commission (COC), as undertaken by the Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Ad Hoc) has been monitoring the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Budget Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 departmental budget process.

As a part of our on-going efforts to address critical issues facing the LASD and concerns of the public, the COC submitted a letter to the Chief Executive Office (CEO) on April 15, 2021 in support of the prioritization of the specific items/ programs listed below. This letter is attached for consideration by the Board of Supervisors during Public Hearing and the Final Budget decision.

- 1. Body Worn Cameras
- 2. Mental Evaluation Team (MET) Restoration
- 3. Integrated Co-Response & Crisis Intervention Bureau
- 4. Veterans Mental Evaluation Team (MET) Expansion

The COC's support of these specific LASD FY2021-22 Budget priorities do not imply support of non-referenced priorities or an increase in the department's total budget.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at (213) 253-5678.

Sincerely,

Lael Rubin

Chair, Civilian Oversight Commission

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Attachment Signed COC Letter to CEO sent on April 15, 2021